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SUBJECT : PRESS ARTICLE RE U.S. NAVAL FACILITIES BAHRAIN

REF : KUWAIT 4467

SUMMARY: BAHRAIN FONMIN SAYS REPORT IN KUWAIT TIMES THAT SAG IS PRESSING BAHRAIN TO CANCEL MIDEASTFOR AGREEMENT IS WITHOUT FOUNDATION. END SUMMARY.

1. DURING CALL ON FONMIN SHAIKH MOHAMMAD BIN MUBARAK, I RAISED QUESTION OF ARTICLE IN KUWAIT TIMES AND GAVE HIM CLIPPING. SHAIKH MOHAMMAD HAD SEEN ARTICLE IN ARABIC, BUT NOT ENGLISH. HE SAID THAT REPORT WAS WITHOUT FOUNDATION, ADDING THAT BAHRAINS RELATIONS WITH U.S. WAS NOT DISCUSSED DURING MEETINGS.

2. WHEN I NOTED THAT OFFICIAL PRESS RELEASE CONCERNING MEETING LISTED SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION AS CAUSE AY P PJECT#AND ECONOMIC AND

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CULTURAL COORDINATION, SHAIKH MOHAMMAD INDICATED THAT THIS WAS

ESSENTIALLY CORRECT. SHAIKH MOHAMMAD ADDED THAT VISIT WAS ON OF SERIES OF SCHEDULED VISITS WITH SAQQAF AND HAD BEEN POSTPONED FROM DEC 10 WHICH WAS CONSIDERED AS TOO NEAR ELECTION DAY. THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 1974.

3. FONMIN EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ADM BAGLEY INTERVIEW CARRIED IN DEC 24 ISSUE OF U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, REMARKING THAT SOVIETS WERE CERTAIN TO USE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT TO THEIR ADVANTAGE - WITH OR WITHOUT OPENING OF SUEZ CANAL. HE OBSERVED, NOT ENTIRELY IN JEST, THAT KUWAIT TIMES ARTICLE MAY HAVE BEEN PROMPTED BY ADM BAGLEY INTERVIEW.
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